112 State Street 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Montpelier, VT 05620-2701 TEL: 802-828-2358



TTY/TDD (VT): 800-253-0191 FAX: 802-828-3351 E-mail: psb.clerk@state.vt.us Internet: http://www.state.vt.us/psb

## State of Vermont **Public Service Board**

## MEMORANDUM

To:

**EEU Email Service List** 

From: Judith C. Whitney, Deputy Clerk of the Board

Re:

Workshop on EEU Avoided Costs and Comment Deadline

October 16, 2009 Date:

On September 22, 2009, and October 2, 2009, the Vermont Department of Public Service ("DPS") submitted e-mail messages recommending that the Public Service Board ("Board") approve new avoided costs for use by the Energy Efficiency Utility ("EEU"). Specifically, the DPS recommended that the Board adopt the following avoided costs as presented in the recently completed Avoided Energy Supply Costs in New England ("AESC") final report dated August 21, 2009:

Electricity – those shown in the spreadsheet titled "Appendix B 20090820 rev(1a)" in the tab titled "VT;" and

Other fuels listed in Chapter 5 of the report, as shown in Appendix E.

The DPS intends to discuss the natural gas avoided cost values contained in the report with Vermont Gas Systems, Inc., before making a recommendation regarding possible changes to those values. The DPS did not recommend any changes to the environmental adder presently in use for efficiency screening.

The DPS's September 22, 2009, and October 2, 2009, e-mail messages to the Board are attached. The Board has created a webpage that provides information regarding the process the Board will use to consider the proposed new avoided costs. This website is: http://psb.vermont.gov/docketsandprojects/eeu/avoidedcosts/2009. The AESC report and the spreadsheets referred to in the DPS's email messages are posted to that webpage. The direct link to the AESC report is:

http://psb.vermont.gov/sites/psb/files/projects/EEU/2009avoidedcosts/2009 AESC Report 20090821%5B1%5D.pdf.

J. Riley Allen, the Board's Policy Advisor, will conduct a workshop on Tuesday, November 3, 2009, from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m., at which the consultant who prepared the AESC report will present the study's results and respond to questions from workshop



participants. The workshop will be held in the Board's Third Floor Hearing Room, Chittenden Bank Building, 112 State Street, Montpelier, and will be recorded by a court reporter.

Any person wishing to file comments on the DPS's recommendation regarding EEU avoided costs should do so on or before November 10, 2009. Comments should be circulated electronically to the attached EEU E-mail Service List, and one paper copy should be sent to the Clerk of the Board.

Enclosures (2)